

# News Release

#### Office of Councilmember Rose Herrera

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## Walk your Way to Wellness!

Councilmember Rose Herrera invites seniors to flex their power at the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Senior Fair

SAN JOSE, May 20, 2011 – Councilmember Rose Herrera, along with co-sponsors Eastridge Mall, Breathe California of the Bay Area, Regional Medical Center of San Jose, Fresco World Markets, PG&E, El Observador and The Epoch Times invite the San Jose senior community to join the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual District 8 Senior Health Fair and Walk. The event will take place on Saturday, May 21, 2011 at Eastridge Mall, which is located at 2200 Eastridge Loop from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. near Entrance "C" (near Barnes & Noble and Bed, Bath & Beyond). The resource fair expects more than 300+ seniors to attend and will feature more than 60 local service providers available to assist seniors with beneficial health information and screenings.

"According to the American College of Sports Medicine, by the year 2030, the number of individuals in the United States 65 years and over will reach 70 million, and people 85 years and older will be the fastest growing segment of the population," said Councilmember Rose Herrera. "It is important we focus on health and wellness as we move along in life. This event is the perfect occasion for seniors to get some exercise while learning about all the resources that are available to them. It also helps promote the idea of Mall walking where the walking surface is even, the temperature is regulated and the environment is safe."

To start off the morning, San Jose seniors will enjoy a free, healthy breakfast and participate in an interactive Tai Chi lesson by the Evergreen Village Square Tai Chi. Following registration, U. S. Track and Field Masters and Olympic Weightlifting champion, Patty Purpur will speak and the East Valley Family

YMCA will lead the walk and fitness circuit with a Zumba Gold warm-up exercise. Ms. Purpur is currently Director of the Stanford Health Improvement Program. On the fitness circuit, participants will learn new exercises led by Generations Community Wellness Center.

Raffle prizes, product giveaways and a visit from San Jose Giants mascot, Gigante, will keep things fun! This event is open to all seniors and pre-registration is not required.

### **Program**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m. – Registration, Breakfast, and an interactive demonstration by the Evergreen Village Square Tai Chi

9:30 - 10:00 a.m. – Kick Off Celebration with welcome speeches from Councilmember Rose Herrera and guest speaker, Patty Purpur – U.S. Track and Field Masters Champion and Olympic Weightlifting Champion!

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. - Walk, Resource Fair, and Raffle

### List of local businesses and service agencies participating

Active Over 50 Magazine

Affordable Senior Care

Alzheimer's Association

**American Cancer Society** 

Angel's Touch Home Care

B&A Realtors/Villages Golf and Country Club

Bay Area Mortuary

Bay Area Older Adults

BeaconRidge Health Insurance Services

Breathe California of the Bay Area

Caremore Health Plan

Catholic Charities CalFresh Outreach Program

Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County

City of San Jose – Environmental Services Department

City of San Jose – Office of Emergency Services

City of San Jose Housing Department- Foreclosure Help, Landlord/Tenant Rights, Rental Rights

City of San Jose Housing Department- Rehabilitation Program

Community Health Partnership

Council on Aging Silicon Valley

**District 8 Community Roundtable** 

Dwight Johnson Agency

East Valley Family YMCA

El Observador

Fresco World Market

Furry Friends Pet Assisted Therapy

Generations Community Wellness

Healthy Steps in Silicon Valley

Independent Police Auditor's Office - City of San Jose

Kaiser Permanente

Law Offices of Nancy Williamson and Jesse G. Dogillo, CFP

Live Oak Adult Day Services

Los Gatos Memorial Park

Master Gardeners of Santa Clara County

Nathan Notary

Next Door Solutions To Domestic Violence

Office of Supervisor Dave Cortese

Outreach

Pacific Gardens Assisted Living and Memory Support

Rebuilding Together

Regional Medical Center of San Jose

Royal Ambulance, Inc.

Santa Clara County Victim Witness

Santa Clara Valley Blind Center

Senior Helpers Greater San Jose

Senior Companions at Home

Senior Helpers Greater San Jose

Seniors Council Foster Grandparent Program

Social Security Administration

Stroke Awareness Foundation

Tri Synergy Community

Visiting Angels San Jose

Walgreens

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